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Kelly Nelson publishes newest children's book 'The Carpenter & The Cat' on sale now



Kelly Nelson

By **Becky LaDue**

Winchester resident Kelly Nelson, who published the children's book 'Brownie the War Dog' in 2024 with the Wisconsin Historical Society Press, has released her second "true animal story"—this time placing focus on a remarkable Badger State

WIAA approves NIL amendment at annual meeting

By **Steve Clark**
Winneconne News

The WIAA joined the large number of states around the country recently by adding an amendment regarding name, image and likeness to its constitution.

At the annual meeting held on April 25 in Stevens Point, the WIAA membership voted 293-108 to approve the measure to ensure that the governing body of high school sports in Wisconsin has language overseeing NIL opportunities for its athletes.

"This was coming. Either it was the membership that was going to pass it, or it was going to come from the (state) legislature," Winneconne athletic director Tyler Lee said. "What the WIAA wanted to do was to get ahead of it and get its own language in there."

Wisconsin joins the more than 40 states that permit student-athletes to

enter into NIL agreements, however, those opportunities also come with a list of restrictions and guardrails.

Lee said that less than one percent of high school student-athletes nationwide enter into NIL agreements, and he doesn't see the landscape of prep sports in Wisconsin being altered by the new amendment.

"I don't see it changing," Lee said. "I think people think that kids can now be paid for doing well in sports and that's really not what it is, and they can't be paid based on performance."

Although student athletes can now seek to earn money through NIL channels, they cannot represent their school, conference or the WIAA in doing so. Furthermore, no party—whether that be a business or individual—that has donated money to a school or is associated in any way with the school, can provide financial backing

to a specific student athlete.

"There are a lot of parameters and limitations on who can sign an individual for an NIL deal. It's not just anybody," Lee said. "Especially in small towns, I think businesses will see there is more value in supporting the whole school and a lot of different programs rather than just one individual."

However, there are opportunities for student-athletes to earn money that were not available before.

Lee mentioned that student-athletes can now be compensated for working at a summer athletic camp under specific guidelines, which is something that would not have been allowed previously.

He also said that athletes can now take full advantage of certain opportunities that they have earned based on

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Tim McEnroe photo

Now that's a lot of parking

The parking lot improvements and additions to Lake Winneconne Park appear to be well received by area boaters and fishermen. Over this past weekend, the lot was virtually at capacity for the spring fishing opener.

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their ability.

Earlier this year, Winneconne junior Brody Schaffer participated in a clinic sponsored by Nike based around the Super Bowl in New Orleans. Schaffer was chosen as one of 51 players from around the nation to represent the Green Bay Packers and the state of Wisconsin at the event.

Lee said that without any NIL language in place, making sure that Schaffer didn't affect his WIAA eligibility while participating in the event required that certain guidelines had to be followed.

"This winter we experienced the other side of it with Brody going to the NIKE event," Lee said. "That was a lot of work going back and forth with

the contract language making sure he could participate in the event and not lose his eligibility for next year and working with WIAA in making sure he could do it."

With the NIL amendment now passed, there would still be the task of making sure participating in such events aligned with guidelines, but the process would be more manageable.

A similar NIL amendment was put before the WIAA membership at last year's annual meeting but did not pass.

Lee, who was not the athletic director at the time of last year's vote but was working closely with Tim Whitford, said the membership was simply not ready to make an informed decision last year.

The WIAA spent the last year flooding its member schools with information regarding NIL and the amendment and that resulted in the matter

easily passing.

"There were just a lot of questions that were unanswered, and that's why a lot of members voted it down," Lee said.

The WIAA has a section on its website devoted to NIL regulations and frequently asked questions that people can access for more information.

Lee also said it will become a part of the school's literature given to student-athletes and their families as well as part of their eligibility agreement.

"We'll get it in our parent meetings before seasons so we can allow the parents to be advocates for the athletes," Lee said. "[Athletic directors] can't facilitate any of these deals. Part of the AD's job now is to educate our parents and business owners and community members about the limitations."

Kelly Nelson book

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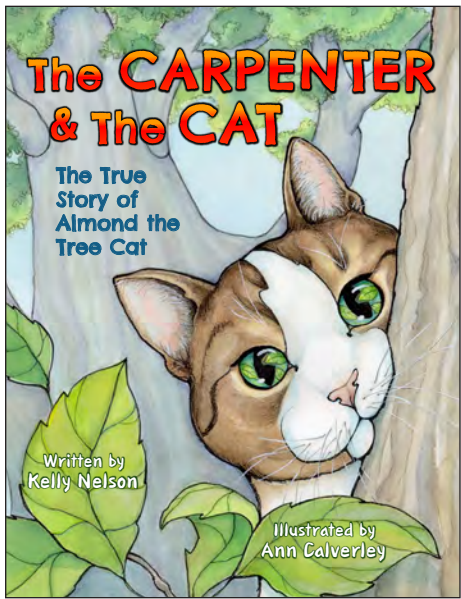
feline and her unique arboreal lifestyle.

"The Carpenter & The Cat, The True Story of Almond the 'Tree Cat' hit the shelves of Barnes & Noble (online) and Amazon as of May 1, and tells the surprising tale of a kitten, born 'up a tree' in Belville, Wisconsin, who remained there for the first year of its life.

"It all started on a personal level," said Nelson, "paying attention to cat and true animal stories, I guess. I've always wanted an orange cat, and I am not kidding, I would pray to God to send an orange cat up my driveway because my husband didn't want one. And one day, an orange kitten literally came up our driveway. We kept it, and Lenny has been beloved ever since."

As for Almond, now a 15-year-old house cat, she was born up a Maple tree in Ron and Marie Venden's front yard. Her internationally famous tale (grabbing news coverage all the way to China!) chronicles the first year of her life, when the momma cat removed three other littermates from the tree, leaving Almond behind.

Ron, a newly retired carpenter, heard the kitten mewling and tried mightily to get it down, but it refused. What ensued was a year of climbing 12 feet up a steep ladder to feed, cobble together shelter, and check on Almond at least three times a day. This went on from spring to spring before Almond acci-



Submitted
Nelson's book cover illustrated by Ann Calverley.

dentally tumbled from the tree. She ultimately lost her hind leg, and after an expensive surgery, became the loving housecat of Ron and Marie.

"It's a simple story," said Nelson, "but it's really about people being kind—going out of their way for the comfort and protection of an animal. What a wonderful thing for kids to learn about and emulate."

As for the book's publication and launch, it was produced by Nymeria Publishing, and illustrated by Nelson's old college roommate and retired art teacher, Ann Calverley. In addition to finding it at Barnes & Noble and Amazon, it's available through Nymeria Publishing and non-profits with an EIN number receive a 40-percent discount by contacting Sarah Caro at sarahcaro@nymeriapublishing.com .



Submitted
An actual photo of Almond, up the tree, with Ron Venden caring for her.

Nelson and Calverley will conduct a mini book tour in the coming weeks and there will also be a summer story time at the Winneconne Public Library on a yet-to-be-announced date.

"It feels wonderful!" said Nelson, of her second published work. "I love writing about everyday people and their unique relationships to animals. It just speaks to my heart. Doing what's right—even the smallest act—should be celebrated and honored."

If you would like to reach Nelson to set up a book reading or signing, or if you have another idea for a true animal story, she can be reached at animalyarns@gmail.com.

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Auxiliary hosts April meeting



Each Thursday the Giles-Luce American Legion bar opens from 4-6 pm for Legion and Auxiliary members and their guests—but the fun is also open to the public! This is a wonderful time for members to meet new people, strengthen friendships and build camaraderie among the membership.

The American Legion Auxiliary Unit #364 gathered for its monthly meeting on April 14, led by President Jeanne Lehr. The meeting began with a prayer, the Pledge of Allegiance, the Auxiliary Preamble, and a moment of silence in honor of POWs and MIAs.

Stamp Out Hunger Drive May 10

Every second Saturday in May letter carriers in more than 10,000 cities and towns across America deliver much more than mail when they walk and drive along their postal routes.

This coming Saturday, May 10, the Winneconne Post Office and its carriers will be participating in the annual Stamp Out Hunger effort. However, the effort will be managed in two different ways in the town and village of Winneconne:

If you live on the EAST SIDE of the bridge, you will receive a donation bag on May 9 for your nonperishable donation (NO expired food, please). Bags will be picked up on Saturday May 10, if left by your mailbox by delivery time.

If you live on the WEST SIDE of the bridge, you are asked to drop off your donation (no bag provided) to either the Winneconne Post Office or the Winneconne Area Assistance Center between 9 a.m. and 12 noon on May 10.

There will also be donation bins at the Winneconne Post Office from May 9-12 to collect food.

In our area, collection will be for the Winneconne Area Assistance Center.



Americanism Chair Evie Dorn received a thank you letter from a Badger Boys participant and announced that this year's Outstanding Senior will be invited to the May meeting.

Membership Chair Kathy McBair shared impressive unit rankings: 2nd in the Department, 5th in the District, and 2nd in the County.

The Auxiliary members will support the Legion's veteran brick dedication ceremony on Saturday, June 14. The Auxiliary will also assist the Legion when it hosts its Centennial Celebration on Sunday, Aug. 3. Both events

are open to the public, and will be held at the Giles-Luce American Legion in Winneconne.

The next Auxiliary meeting is scheduled for May 12, at 6:15 pm. A potluck dinner and social hour will start before the meeting, at 5:30 pm.

For more information about the Auxiliary, contact Jeanne Lehr, or read more here: <https://winneconne-post364.org/auxiliary/>.

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Winneconne artwork headed to the U.S. Capital

Winneconne High School students Lila Newton and Serena Scott earned a first place and third place (respectively) in the 2025 Congressional Art Competition hosted in Fond du Lac last week.

Newton's work will now travel to Washington D.C. and hang in the United States Capital building for the next year. Scott's work will be displayed in Congressman Glenn Grothmann's local office.

Kambelle Syth and Lilly Robbert also represented WCSD and the community with artwork at the competition.



Submitted
From left to right, Serena Scott and Lila Newton.



Submitted
Serena Scott's submission will be on display in Congressman Glenn Grothmann's office.



Submitted
Lila Newton's submission will hang in the U.S. Capital for the coming year.

Winnebago County leadership program seeking youth advocate

Girls aged 13 to 17 who live or attend school in Winnebago County can now apply for the position of Miss Rural Winnebago (MRW). Applicants do not need to have a rural or agricultural background, but should be willing to serve their community.

Applicants will participate in a committee interview and communication training on June 7. Then, on June 8 during the Waukau Youth Days Chicken Barbeque, the MRW program will crown the 57th Miss Rural Winnebago. The parade will be held at noon on State Road 116, followed by the crowning ceremony, a chicken BBQ meal, and live music/children's entertainment at the Waukau Youth Center.

The crowned candidate will have the opportunity to go on various tours to learn more about Winnebago County, volunteer at local events, and develop personal and professional skills during the one-year volunteer term. The reigning Miss has the freedom to shape her year as per her interests while

also gaining professional and personal skills that can be applied in the future for her benefit.



Submitted
Kylie Kempen was the 2024 Miss Rural Winnebago.

Those interested in applying should email missruralwinnebago@gmail.com or visit missruralwinnebago.wixsite.com/mrwwi to obtain the application.

The deadline to apply is May 31, 2025.

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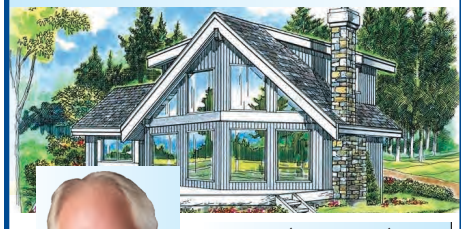
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Back in the Day

The Oshkosh Power Boat Club and Butte des Morts

Contributed by Debra G. Daubert for the Butte des Morts Historical Preservation Society

There is a fascinating photograph, circa 1915, which will be featured in the new book being written by the Butte des Morts Historical Preservation Society. Shown are cows from the Scovel farm grazing on the shore of the lake, just outside of the Town of Butte des Morts. Two things stand out, first that there are no cottages/homes along the lake there (while it is crowded today) and second, in the distance stands the Oshkosh Power Boat Club building. What is the history behind that club?

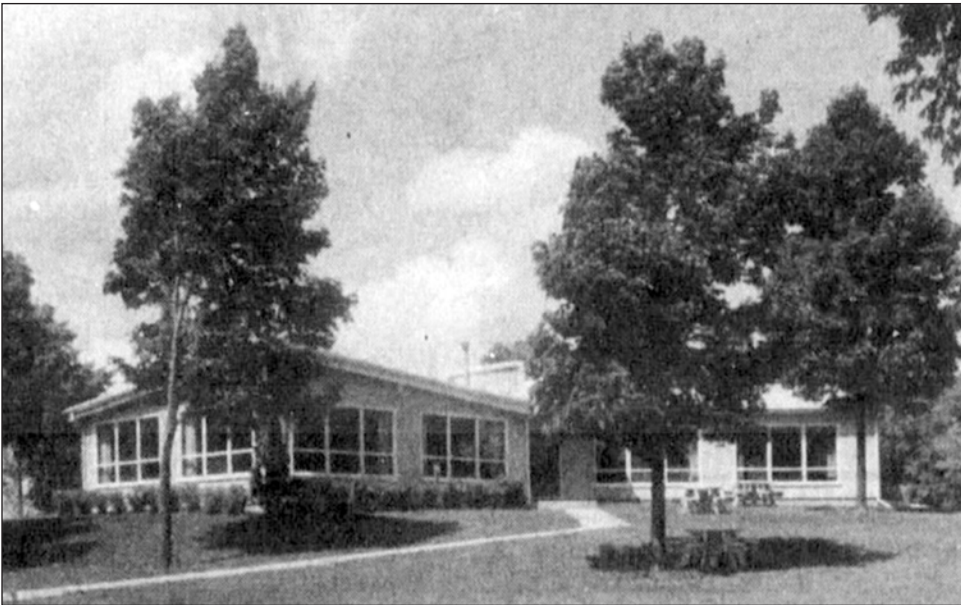
In February of 1905, twenty-five men met to discuss forming a club “to promote and foster the sport of power boating.” In 1905, speed power boats were a relatively new concept. Why here? Well, by 1904, the Oshkosh area already had over thirty such costly crafts in its waters, which led to one purpose of the club: “to inculcate among its members a knowledge of the rules of navigation.” The club also promoted education on power boating; conducted races, cruises, and club runs; improved the safety of the waterways, and was a thriving social venue.

By 1906, with over two hundred members, their first clubhouse was built. This was on land just outside of Butte des Morts, purchased from club



The first Oshkosh Power Boat Club clubhouse, 1906.

Photograph courtesy of Dan Radig



The second Power Boat Club clubhouse, circa 1978.

Photograph from Oshkosh Northwestern, June 1, 1991

member Frank H. Hull. The architect was Ephraim E. Stevens, another club member. It was a two-story structure described as modern architectural design. The lower floor was divided into a dining room, reception room, kitchen, storeroom, and closets; the upper floor was a large dance hall. The original purpose of serving the boating community soon expanded to become a sought-after location for non-boating organizations (conventions, church picnics, and family reunions). The popularity and success of the club led to many cottages being built along the shoreline.

Fifty-one years later, in 1957, a fire destroyed the 1906 building. The next clubhouse, designed by Walter Schoenrock of New London, opened in May 1960. It was a one-story colonial-style structure, with a full basement holding the heating unit and showers. The main floor had a kitchen, a clubroom-dining room and a bar. Such was the success of the club that they added an additional room in 1978.

In 1998, after ninety-two years at the Butte des Morts location, the Oshkosh Power Boat Club sold its building. The location reopened in 1999 as the Brothers Boathouse, a restaurant and bar. Unfortunately, around 2001 the property was sold again, the clubhouse was torn down, and a large private residence replaced it.



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To be core-verified, the Winneconne Police Department must prove to the WILEAG Board of Directors that it is complying with the 65 CORE standards in the WILEAG accreditation program.

Core-verification indicates the Winneconne Police Department is practicing established best practices that deal with policy management, key federal and state statutory mandates related to law-enforcement, community relations along with inherent issues related to high-risk and high-liability law enforcement operations and use of force issues.

“We are proud to join the WILEAG community, which is a great network to maintain and improve best practices in police services,” said Police Chief Ben Sauriol. “This process is a great mechanism to maintain accountability and improve our level of service to the won-

derful citizenry here in Winneconne.”



Police Chief Ben Sauriol holds the plaque denoting his department's WILEAG core-verified accreditation.

Donation helps Winneconne Boy Scouts

The Poygan Conservation Club presented Boy Scout Troop 629 of Winneconne with a \$1,000 check recently to help provide the Scouts with some

much-needed, new camping equipment for upcoming outdoor adventures this spring, summer and fall.



Accepting the check from Vice President Dwight Simpson, far right, and club Secretary Ron Green, far left, was Senior Patrol Leader Cody Tipler.

State Solo-Ensemble produces 7 gold medals

Winneconne High School (WHS) choral students performed a variety of vocal and instrumental pieces at the state Solo-Ensemble event held at UW-Oshkosh April 26.

Seventeen events from the WHS music program were also selected to advance to the State level and of those, seven earned gold medals and 10 earned silver medals. WHS senior Hattie Engeldinger was also selected as one of the top performers in her site for the day and earned the Exemplary Award for her Musical Theater solo.

“The effort and heart the students put in to perform at this level was on display,” said Choral Instructor Abby Schmidt. “They represented our community with their high level of musicianship.”



Congratulations to State Solo-Ensemble participants, listed alphabetically: Hattie Engeldinger, Mary Gallenberg, Aeris Kellerman, Miranda Peach, Evynn Rose-nov, Joseph Shepherd, Hugh Sleeman, and Chloe Wyssbrod.

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Senior Recognition Night set

Invitations have been sent out for the Class of 2025 Senior Recognition Night, taking place on May 14 at 6:30 p.m. in the high school auditorium.

The program serves to recognize and honor senior students in many different areas including high school and community scholarships and military enlistments.

Scholarships awarded are chosen through an application process and are evaluated based on scholarship criteria,

post high school plans, career choice and academics. Additionally, some scholarships consider financial need, while others are based solely on merit. Some scholarships are chosen by the sponsor and others through committees.

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Color Run fun

Winneconne Elementary School's Parent Teacher Association (PTA) held another riotously fun "Color Run" 3K event on Saturday, May 3.

Event organizers report participation was strong for the PTA's largest fundraiser of the year, and realized a profit of roughly \$15,000.

The funds go towards many items to support the activities of students at Winneconne Elementary School. This year's funds will be earmarked to support field trip assistance, student folders, and playground equipment/toys.

For more photos, visit Winneconne PTA's Facebook page.



A color explosion signaled the end of the 2025 Color Run.

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The runners certainly had fun during the Winneconne Elementary School PTA's Color Run event!



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SOFTBALL
Winneconne posts three wins on Saturday

The Wolves allowed just four runs over three games and collected a trio of convincing wins while hosting a quadrangular on Saturday.

Winneconne lodged wins over New London (11-1), Freedom (6-1) and Appleton North (15-2) to extend their streak to nine straight victories.

The Wolves started the day with a win over New London as Claire Schaffer and Libby Jahnke led the way. Jahnke was 3-for-3 with a double, triple, home run and three RBIs, while Schaffer finished with two triples, a home run and five RBIs in finishing 3-for-4.

Claire Kollat and Ari Reetz each chipped in a pair of hits.

Julia Youngbauer allowed just one hit and struck out seven to earn the win in the circle.

Grace Mitchell finished with a pair of hits and drove in three runs in the win over Freedom, while Jahnke and Neela Gardner also finished with two hits in the game. Jahnke also drove in a pair of runs.

Youngbauer again earned the pitching win, scattering eight hits over seven innings while striking out five.

Jahnke had another big game in the win over Appleton North, finishing 4-for-4 with five RBIs. In the three games, Jahnke went 9-of-10, with two doubles, two triples, a home run and 10 RBIs.

Schaffer added two hits and two RBIs while also scoring four runs and Mitchell finished with two hits. Aubrey Thorpe also drove in two runs in the win.

Jaidyn Halder was the winning pitcher for the Wolves, allowing just two hits and one earned run in five innings while totaling three strikeouts.

Winneconne picked up a 3-2 win over Kewaskum in an East Central Conference (ECC) game on Tuesday, with

Kollat finishing 3-for-4 and Mitchell driving in two runs in the win. Youngbauer struck out six and did not allow an earned run, hurling a complete game.

The Wolves opened the week with a 10-0 nonconference win over Wautoma on Monday, with Jahnke racking up a triple, home run and five RBIs to key the five-inning win. Kollat also chipped in two hits and Youngbauer fanned nine in four innings while allowing just one hit to notch another win.

TRACK AND FIELD
Wolves set three school records at home meet

Cody McLeod, Trey Zemke and Carlee Hart all bettered their own school



Winneconne sprinters (from left) Jack Quigley, Brody Schaffer and Cody McLeod sprint to the finish in the 100 meters at home East Central Conference quadrangular meet on Tuesday.

records as Winneconne hosted an ECC quadrangular last Tuesday.

McLeod ran a time of 10.67 seconds to win the 100 meters, shaving more than one-tenth of a second off his previous mark. He also picked up a victory in the 200 meters.

Zemke won the pole vault competition by clearing a height of 14-feet, 6-inches after holding the school record at 14-feet.

Hart also set her school record in the

pole vault, posting a height of 10-feet to finish first in the event. Her previous school record was 9-9.

McLeod and Zemke led a dominant performance for the Winneconne boys, who easily finished first.

Hudson Samolinski and Koltyn Kachur joined McLeod as a multi-event winner for the Wolves. Samolinski was impressive in throws, topping the shot-put field by 12 feet, while winning the discus competition by nearly 67 feet. Kachur finished first in both the 110-meter and 300-meter hurdles.

Jack Quigley in the 400 meters, Silas Sarbo in the 1,600 meters, Brecken Meyer in the high jump and Brody Schaffer in the long jump also picked up wins for the Wolves, while Schaffer in the 100 meters and Sarbo in the pole vault were each second.

Winneconne also won the 800-meter relay with a team of Joseph Hutchinson,

the 1,600 meters where he was six seconds ahead of the runner-up.

Hudson Samolinski bettered his own school record by six in taking second in the discus, launching a throw of 186-feet, 8-inches. He also posted a second-place finish in the shot put.

Trey Zemke in the pole vault and Colton Tisler in the high jump also picked up second-place finishes, while the foursome of Camden Plotz, Koltyn Kachur, Jack Quigley and Brody Schaffer took second in the 800-meter relay.

Karter Hawthorne added a third place in the long jump, while Brecken Meyer was sixth in the high jump and Silas Sarbo was seventh in the pole vault.

The Wolves finished with 83 points in the meet, four behind West De Pere. Green Bay Preble and Kimberly took first and second, respectively.

Carlee Hart was the top finisher for the girls, placing third in the pole vault, while Bailey Church tied for fourth in the high jump and Ruby Kuehn was fifth in the 800 meters.

BASEBALL
Wolves collect win over Shiocton

Noah Bouras struck out 10 over six innings and the Wolves belted four doubles among their 10 hits in a 5-2 win over Shiocton in a nonconference game on Tuesday.

Lucky Pahl finished 2-for-3 with a pair of RBIs to pace the Winneconne hitters with Broderick Stille and Aaron Zimmer each chipping in a pair of hits in the game. Colson Kleinschmidt, Dallas Walker and Ethan Duel also drove in runs in the game.

Bouras earned the win on the mound allowing just five hits. Pahl pitched a scoreless seventh inning with one strikeout to close out the win.

Winneconne lost to Manitowoc Lincoln, 9-0, on Friday with Duel picking up the Wolves' only hit in the game.

Prior to the game, former Winneconne baseball coaches Ham Last and Mike Meyer were honored for their contributions to the program.

TRAPSHOOTING
Lytle's perfect shoot leads Wolves

Jacob Lytle posted a perfect score of 50 for the second straight week as Winneconne topped Waupaca 241-232 at home on Thursday.

Troy Anderson and Gus Reindl were nearly perfect as well, each posting scores of 49 and notching 25 straight targets. Chase Schricker added a 48 and Landen White chipped in a 45.

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Prep Roundup

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Parker Rathert (3) looks to make a move around a Berlin defender in a win earlier this week.

Doug Sasse

SOCCER
Neace's hat trick fuels easy win for Wolves

Harper Neace notched a hat trick as Winneconne rolled past Berlin, 8-0, in an ECC match last Tuesday.

Olivia Godfroy added a pair of goals, while Suri Hottman, Parker Rathert and Millie Braman also scored. Winneconne scored five goals in a 20-minute span in the second half to close out the win.

The Wolves then picked up a 2-1 win over River Falls on Friday night in the first game of the Eau Claire Invitational

with Hottman tallying both goals. Hottman's first tally was a header off a corner kick from Jada Kaiser, while Kellyn Kresal assisted on the second goal which staked the Wolves to a 2-0 lead at halftime.

The Wolves would suffer their first loss of the season on Saturday, falling to Eau Claire Memorial by a 4-2 margin.

Mairaya Dodd tallied a goal and an assist, with Hottman adding the second goal for Winneconne. Emery Sommers made eight saves against a strong Old Abes front line.

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The WWWL held its end of season bowling banquet at Woodeye's on April 23. A meal was served, and officers were elected for the 2025-26 season. New officers are President Karen Marx, Vice President Darcy Johnson and Secretary/Treasurer Pat Marine.

Cash prizes were also distributed, with this year's League Champions being Beiser Realty. Beiser team members are Karla Andersen, Pat Marine, Lori Fisher, Sherry Rieben, Holly Manteufel and Karen Marx. Second place went to Mueller Funeral Home, 3rd place Tiny's, and 4th place Marble Park Lanes.

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Tips to cope with kids' allergies

With spring/summer comes seasonal allergies, which impact one in five kids in the United States.

Many kids start getting symptoms like sneezing, watery or itching eyes, runny nose and sniffing as the weather warms up. These symptoms are triggered when their immune system overreacts to something in their environment like pollen, grass or mold.

There are many overlapping symptoms between a common cold and seasonal allergies, like runny nose and congestion, but there are important differences. Allergies do not cause a fever, severe cough or severe sore throat, for example. A cold will generally last three to 10 days, and allergies could last for months depending on how long a person is exposed to a certain allergen.

Allergies can often be managed at home with over-the-counter medications including antihistamines, nasal sprays or eye drops. It is important the medication is non-drowsy, so diphenhydramine – known as Benadryl – is not recommended. The recommended medicines can be taken in combination every day and taking them in advance before a person's body is triggered can help.

In some cases, an allergy test might be needed to determine an exact allergen and come up with a specific treatment plan. This includes skin prick testing where the results are interpreted by an allergist.

Other helpful tips for parents to reduce the overall impacts of seasonal allergies include

- Changing bedding more often
- Showering or bathing at night
- Keeping windows closed
- Watching the weather reports to see the pollen count and staying inside when pollen counts are really high

Allergies often exist alongside eczema, or skin inflammation, or asthma, or they can cause worsening of those conditions.

Childhood allergies typically do not start until at least two years of age because the immune system needs a season or two to be exposed to allergens. Seasonal allergies can start at any time after that in childhood and into adulthood.



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Community gardens directory being developed



The UW Extension for Winnebago and Outagamie counties is working to build a comprehensive directory of community gardens in the Fox Valley and Oshkosh area with information on all community gardens in the region.

The directory will allow residents to easily locate the gardens and connect with coordinators for potential plot rentals. Those interested in starting a garden or have extra land available are encouraged to reach out to directory coordinator Amy Beck at 920-832-5121 or Amy.Beck@outagamie.org.

Gardens can be added to the directory through a Google form found at winnebago.extension.wisc.edu under the Community Development tab. The directory will also help community leaders identify areas that may need more gardens to follow up on previous initiatives that are no longer active.

Community gardens, defined as being at least partially open to the general public and neighborhoods, offer access to affordable fresh produce, recreational opportunities, space for culturally significant crops, beautification of neighborhoods and increased public safety. Some portions of plots can be designated for partnering organizations, such as church parishes.

Dog Bite and Rabies Prevention

In 2024 Winnebago County Public Health and local law enforcement agencies investigated 137 dog bites. Dogs bite young or old, big or small. Dogs bite for a variety of reasons, but most commonly as a reaction to something. Fortunately, there are several things we can do to prevent dog bites from happening such as supervising interactions with children and unfamiliar dogs.

If a dog (or any animal) bite occurs, follow these steps:

- If the dog's owner is present, request proof of a rabies vaccination and get the owner's name and contact information.
- Clean the bite wound with soap and water as soon as possible. Seek medical attention if warranted.
- Contact the dog's veterinarian to check vaccination records.
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The Weekly Whisk

Chicken Tzatziki Casserole

If you’re looking for a quick, flavorful dinner, this Dump-and-Bake Chicken Tzatziki Casserole delivers on all fronts. With minimal prep, you can enjoy the fresh, vibrant flavors of the Mediterranean right from your own kitchen. Creamy tzatziki, tender chicken, and perfectly cooked rice come together in a dish that’s both comforting and delicious.

For questions or comments email weeklywhisk01@gmail.com

- 1 cup long-grain white rice
- 1 ½ cups low-sodium chicken broth
- 1 ½ pounds boneless, skinless chicken breasts (cut into bite-sized pieces)
- 1 teaspoon garlic powder
- 1 teaspoon onion powder
- 1 teaspoon dried oregano
- ½ teaspoon paprika
- 1 cup tzatziki sauce (store-bought or homemade)
- 1 medium cucumber (sliced thinly

for garnish, optional)
½ cup crumbled feta cheese
½ cup chopped fresh parsley or dill (for garnish)

Preheat the oven to 375° and lightly grease a 9×13-inch baking dish. Spread the uncooked rice evenly in the baking dish. Pour in the chicken broth, ensuring the rice is completely submerged for even cooking. Scatter the chicken pieces on top of the rice. Sprinkle the garlic powder, onion powder, oregano, and paprika evenly over the chicken. Spoon the tzatziki sauce over the chicken, spreading it gently with the back of a spoon to ensure the chicken is well-coated. Cover the dish tightly with aluminum foil and bake for 35-40 minutes. The chicken should be fully cooked, and the rice tender and fluffy. If needed, bake uncovered for an additional 5-10 minutes to absorb any excess liquid.

New legislation proposed to target ultra-processed food in school lunches

Senator Rachael Cabral-Guevara (R-Fox Crossing) and Representative Clint Moses (R-Menomonie) have introduced legislation to increase the health of our students by prohibiting schools from serving ultra-processed foods in school lunches.

“With 15% of Wisconsin students ages two to 17 being obese, we need to support our children by supplying them with nutritious lunch options instead of foods that are known to contain carcinogens,” said Representative Moses.

Currently, the U.S. Department of Agriculture establishes nutrition standards for the school lunch program. However, many chemical ingredients banned in other developed nations are still permitted in our school lunches. The legislation proposed defines an “ultra-processed food” as a food or beverage that contains brominated vegetable oil, potassium bromate, propylparaben, azodicarbonamide, red

dye 3, or titanium dioxide, and would prohibit it from being served as part of a free or reduced-priced meal for breakfast or lunch in schools.

“Consumption of ultra-processed foods has only increased, encompassing nearly 70% of what our kids eat,” said Senator Cabral-Guevara. “This has been followed by the doubling of the prevalence of Type 2 diabetes in children and other compounding health complications. As a mom and nurse, I want to make sure that if the government is funding a meal for our kids, it is healthy and safe for consumption.”

This legislation gives school districts broad flexibility to work with current food vendors to meet the healthy requirements to provide meals to students.

Representative Moses and Senator Cabral-Guevara are currently in the process of gaining co-authors for the legislation.

News from the Winchester Area Historical Society

The first summer activity for the Winchester Area Historical Society (WAHS) will be its Rummage/Plant Sale and Brat Fry June 5, 6, and 7. The society is looking for plant donations and help at the event. If you can contribute, please call Janine Brantley at 920-836-2259.

The Winchester School Reunion is coming together. The society has re-

ceived many nice donations from area businesses and individuals, but still needs help with photo ID and event planning; the gathering set for Aug. 16. Please call 920-659-3823 to get involved.

As for longtime WAHS member Millie Mathison’s 100th birthday celebration, Millie enjoyed the day with her nine children, family and friends.

Millie received over 250 birthday greetings (and counting!) including a large, oversized card with over 700 community member’s signatures. The card included a crisp \$100 bill from WAHS, which she plans to spend taking her family out to breakfast for potato pancakes - “her favorite”.

New members this month included Tom & Darlene Christianson and

Jim & Joey Steudel. Donations to the library came from Lori Peterson, Sandra Heubner, John Hren and Jason Boe. Roof project donations came from Curtis & Kathryn Radford, Jason Boe, Alan & Lynn Beshears, Sue Mokler, Jack Zeller, Peggy Howe, Nanette Schmidl, Carol Ihde, Roger & Marlene Marks, Lois Whitcomb, Helen Wauda, Janine Brantley, and Bette Lee.

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Shallow Lakes Chronicles

Opening Weekend of Fishing

By Matt Harp, Outdoor Reporter

Here in the Shallow Lakes area, we are blessed with water. Something like 13 percent of the state's lake area is right here. In fact, Wisconsin has surface and groundwater that other states can only dream about.

Wisconsin has more than 15,000 inland lakes, 42,000 miles of perennial streams and rivers, 1,000 miles of Great Lakes shoreline, and 260 miles of the Mississippi River. We're like our own little United States being wedged in by water on both sides.

It's no wonder that we are up there in boat registrations – ranking 3rd in the nation behind Minnesota and South Carolina. Add to those kayaks, canoes, and other unregistered watercraft, well, we love our water and we love to fish.



Harp



Opening weekend of fishing is always the first Saturday in May and the concept is a little tough for us to grasp here locally, as we can fish pretty much anything all year here. When you head up north, there is a closed season for many species on most lakes.

This year's "opener" met with fairly normal weather. Lakes were free of ice, and the weather was good to get out and explore your favorite spots. For me and 'The Boy', you probably know where we were.

Our 4 a.m. arrival at "the spot" turned out to be early enough by about a half hour. I know I've sat out there an hour earlier. "Well, we didn't get the best spot, but we'll be okay," I heard one later arrival say over the roar of the fast-flowing dam.

The water was especially high this year. High water tends to make fishing more difficult as it washes in more foodstuffs and displaces them from their normal hangouts. It also appeared to shift some of the structure and snags were aplenty this day. I know we each broke off our lines at least a half a dozen times while trying for that perfect presentation to the brown trout.

It turns out that the later arrivals were just enough downstream to have the upper hand this year, with the current slowing perfectly in front of them. We watched them net at least 10 trout and a couple 12+ fish. We caught fish too, but nothing of any real size – we were

hoping for one large Brown Trout for the smoker, but it wasn't to be.

We eventually succumbed to wet feet, numb fingers, and a full schedule for the rest of the day. Most years we rent a nearby house with the whole family, but today it was just me and The Boy, doing

what we do on the first Saturday of every May that he can remember. Before him, it was me and Dad, for as long as I can remember.

Reach Matt at lakeandpond2@gmail.com

Tales From The Land of Retirement

In our Flanders Fields

By Jeanne Lehr

In Flanders fields the poppies blow
Between the crosses, row on row,



Lehr

That mark our place, and in the sky
The larks, still bravely singing, fly
Scarce heard amid the guns below.

We are the Dead.
Short days ago
We lived, felt

dawn, saw sunset glow,
Loved and were loved, and now we lie,
In Flanders fields.

Take up our quarrel with the foe:
To you from failing hands we throw
The torch; be yours to hold it high.
If ye break faith with us who die
We shall not sleep, though poppies grow
In Flanders fields.

In May you will be seeing members of the American Legion Auxiliary out handing out poppies. The poem above tells the story of the poppies. They are not for sale, rather handed out as re-

mindings of the fallen. A donation is welcome, and will be spent on the needs of our veterans.

Poppies will be on display May 16, 17, and 18 at the Stoneridge Piggly Wiggly. Bring your children and teach them the history of the poppies.

I must also remind the parents of kindergarten-age children that forms are being handed out at school for flower girls and sailor boys to march in the Memorial Day parade. These little boys and girls play a major part of the celebration.

Legion and Auxiliary sponsored Badger Boys and Girls will also march, along with village officials, veterans, and the high school band.

The Memorial Day Parade is really a procession; it is not a day for candy, clowns, and floats, but a solemn day of remembrance.

Memorial Day is not only for our veterans, but a day to remember those we have lost throughout our lives. Memorial Day is a day to have a smile on your face with tears in your eyes for those who have "lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow, loved, and were loved."

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Mon: 7:30 am - LOW w/communion. 5 pm - CAM. 6 pm - Picnic Mtg.
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Sundays: 9 am - Worship.
Mondays: 10 am - Bible Study.

Lord of the Lakes
(ELCA) Church
6090 Harbour South
Winneconne
Pastor Kevin Heffernan
Thurs.: 8:30 am - Bible Study.
Sat.: 3 pm - Mother’s Day Tea.
Sunday, May 11: 8 & 10 am - Worship.
Mon.: 5 pm - Narcotics Anonymous.
Wed: 6 pm - SWAG Youth Group.

St. Paul’s Lutheran Church
8 South Fourth Street
Winneconne
Pastor Ben Berger
Pastor Darin Warnecke
920-582-7772
Thurs.: 9:30 am - Bible Study.
Saturday: 4:30 pm - Worship.
Sunday, May 11: 8 am &10:30 am - Worship/Late Service Contemporary Music. 9:10 am - Bible Study/Family

Calendar

Thursday, May 8: 2:30 pm - V. Golf @ Washington Cty. 2:30 pm - JV Golf @ Mascoutin. 4 pm - Parks Mtg./Municipal Ctr. 4 pm - Varsity Track @ Waupaca. 4:30 pm - Varsity Soccer, Home/Xavier. 4:45 pm - JV/V Softball @ Riverside Park. 4:45 pm - Varsity BB @ Kettle Moraine Lutheran. 6 pm - MS 6th Grade Choir Concert/WCAC. 7 pm - 7th & 8th Grade Choir Concert/WCAC.
Friday, May 9: 4 pm - Varsity Track @ Freedom. 4:30 pm - Varsity Softball @ St. Mary’s Catholic.
Saturday, May 10: 9 am - Varsity Soccer @ Waupaca.
Sunday, May 11: Worship at the Church of Your Choice.
Monday, May 12: Elementary Track & Field Days. 9 am - Varsity Golf @ Wild Rock Wilderness GC. 10:30 am - Public Works Mtg./Municipal Ctr. 12 noon - Personnel & Finance Mtg./

Impressions.
Mon.: Contemporary Music Practice.
Tues.: 8:30 am - Quilters. 6 pm - Fellowship Mtg. 7 pm - Education Mtg.
Wed.: 6:30 pm- Catechism Study.

St. Peter’s Lutheran Church, WELS
8630 County Road MM
Larsen
Pastor Paul Ibisch
920-878-3001
Sundays: 10 am - Service w/Bible Study; Fellowship to Follow.
Also online through Facebook.
Free Little Food Pantry 24/7 at North Entry of Church.

First Presbyterian Church
32 S. Third Avenue
Winneconne
920-706-0047
Pastor Emily Lueder
Sunday, May 11: 8:30 am - Sunday Services. Services are livestreamed on Facebook/recordings uploaded to YouTube.

Bible Baptist Church
At First Presbyterian Church
32 S. Third Avenue
Winneconne
Pastor Robert Hatch
920-582-7100
Sundays: 10:45 am - Sunday School. 12 pm - Worship.

Messiah Evangelical Lutheran Church – Omro
Evangelical Lutheran Synod
7394 Liberty School Rd.
Omro
www.messiahomro.com
920-875-0755
Pastor Philip Geiger
Sundays: 9 am - Regular Sunday Worship, with Fellowship to Follow
Wednesday Prime Service
Wednesday Bible Study

AA and Al-Anon
St. Mary Church Basement
Thurs.: 7 pm - Al-Anon.
Please refer to the district website for available AA meetings in our area.

Municipal Ctr. 4 pm - MS Track @ Waupaca. 4:45 pm - JV/V Softball @ Plymouth. 5 pm - Varsity BB @ Omro. 5:30 pm- Plan Commission Mtg./Municipal Ctr. 6:30 pm- Fire Dst. Mtg./Municipal Ctr. 7 pm - High School Choir Concert/WCAC.
Tuesday, May 13: Elementary Track & Field Days. 2:30 pm - Library Board Mtg./Municipal Ctr. 3:30 pm - Dance Team Tryouts/WHs. 4 pm - Board of Review/Municipal Ctr. 4 pm - Track @ Waupun. 4:45 pm - Varsity Soccer, Home/Kettle Moraine Lutheran. 5 pm - JV/V Softball @ Shawano Community.
Wednesday, May 14: The News is out! Subscribe today at winneconne-news.com. Elementary Track & Field Days. 1 pm - Mahjong group/Public Library. 2:30 pm - JV/V Golf @ Hon E Kor. 3:30 pm - Dance Team Tryouts. Senior Awards Night/WCAC.

Lunch Menus

May 12-16
Advocap Lunch Menu
Mon.: Chicken broccoli & rice casserole, peas, baby carrots/dip, fresh orange.
Tues.: FROZEN: Roast beef, mashed potatoes, Harvard beets, pears.
Wed.: Pork chop suey, broccoli & cauliflower, brown rice, pineapple tidbits, grape juice.
Thurs.: FROZEN: Hungarian goulash/noodles, salad w/cucumbers & tomatoes.
Fri.: Au gratin potatoes & ham, baked beans, carrots, peaches.

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ES: Along with main entrée and rotating vegetables, garden bar, assorted fruit, PB&J pocket, chef salad, and milk are offered daily.

MS: Along with main entrée, chef salad, rotating salad, fruit bowl, PB&J pocket, turkey (or ham) and cheese sandwich, snacks, garden bar, assorted fruit and milk are offered daily.
Mon.: **ES:** Mac & cheese, flavored muffin, California blend veggies. **MS:** French dip sandwich, French fries, broccoli.
Tues.: **ES:** Cheeseburger, diced carrots, educational snack. **MS:** Cheese pizza, mixed veggies, garden bar.
Wed.: **ES:** Orange chicken, broccoli, fried rice. **MS:** Taco bowl, rice pilaf, assorted veggies.
Thurs.: **ES:** French toast, baby cakes, sausage patty. **MS:** Popcorn chicken, buttered pasta, cauliflower.
Fri.: **ES:** Cheese pizza, green beans, garlic breadstick. **MS:** BBQ rib patty, French fries, spiced apple.

Dairy’s Foundation now accepting grant applications

Dairy’s Foundation is taking applications for the next round of grant requests to support new programs in the dairy industry. The application deadline is June 1, 2025. Grants of up to \$10,000 will be awarded to programs that build the skills of students or dairy producers or increase public trust in the people and products of dairy are available for organizations across the country.
As the only public-held national foundation supporting dairy education and initiatives across the entire dairy industry food chain, Dairy’s Foundation strives to identify emerg-

ing educational needs and help fill gaps in funding for new or innovative programs. Since 2010, Dairy’s Foundation has awarded more than \$350,000 in grants to support vital programs that equip the dairy community with the latest tools and resources to be effective managers, leaders and ambassadors of dairy to their neighbors in rural and urban settings.
Applications will be reviewed by an independent grant-selection committee. Organizations with a tax status of 501(c)(3) or (5) may apply.
Inquiries about Dairy’s Foundation grants can be sent to info@dairyfoundation.org.

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Obituaries

Peter “Pete” David Kasuboski

Peter “Pete” David Kasuboski, 55, passed away on Sunday, April 27, 2025.



He was born February 2, 1970, in Berlin to Daniel Kasuboski and Patsy Smith.

Pete grew up in Eureka, and he graduated from Berlin High School. His education continued at the University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh. He graduated in 1992 with a bachelor’s degree in criminal justice. He worked for several years for the Wisconsin Correction System, but found his true calling in

plumbing. He settled in Winneconne to begin his long career in the plumbing industry where he eventually established his own business, Cascade Plumbing. Pete was a plumbing wizard. He rolled up his sleeves, worked hard, and always got the job done. He loved his customers who often became his friends.

Pete’s pride and joy were his two kids, Kaitlyn and Nick. He also adored his two grandbabies, Everett and Patrick. He had a special bond with each. You could find him and Kaitlyn sitting on the dock and enjoying the view of the lake, watching movies together, or talking about their shared love of reading. Pete and Nick shared an intense passion for fishing and could be found together in

the worst conditions on Lake Poygan, soaking wet, just wanting to get one more walleye. Pete loved watching Everett’s T-ball games as well as making little Patrick belly laugh. His grandbabies could never do any wrong in his eyes. As a family, they cherished boat rides, grilling out, and listening to George Strait. Pete was a passionate outdoorsman who loved fishing and hunting. Pete also was an avid Wisconsin sports fan, even if every team disappointed him (almost) every year.

Pete is survived by his two grandsons, Everett and Patrick Beattie. He is also survived by his two children, Kaitlyn (George) Beattie and Nick (Daydre) Kasuboski, along with their mother, Kristin Kasuboski. He is further survived by his siblings, Jeffery (Therese) Kasuboski, Julie (Jim) Birschbach, Scott (Michelle) Kasuboski, and Paul Kasuboski. He is further survived by his stepfather, Melvin “Butch” (Vera) Smith; in-laws, Ralph and Sandy Giessen; uncle, Tom Zillges; many nieces and nephews,

cousins, countless friends, and his labrador, Mya.

He was preceded in death by his beloved mother, Patsy Smith; a precious grandchild who was born sleeping; his mother-in-law, Kathleen Giessen; his beloved labrador, Jasmin; his father, Daniel Kasuboski; and his grandparents.

A visitation for family and friends will be on Saturday, May 17, from 9 to 11 a.m. at Mueller Funeral Home 904 E. Main St, Winneconne. A funeral service will be held on Saturday, May 17 at 11 a.m. at the funeral home with Deacon Paul Vidmar officiating.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Walleyes for Tomorrow in Pete’s honor.

If you wish, please submit online condolences/memories to muellerfh.net

The water’s calm now, and the walleyes are running. Save us a spot on Heaven’s shores.

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Village of Winneconne Winnebago County, Wisconsin NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The village board of the Village of Winneconne, Winnebago County, Wisconsin, has adopted a preliminary resolution that certain public work or improvements be carried on in the village, specifically street resurfacing of N 6th Avenue from Main Street to Twin Harbor Drive and Adams Street from Second to Third Street; that a special assessment district be created consisting of benefited properties along the proposed project, that special assessments shall be levied against property in the district; and that the number of installments to pay the special assessment will be determined after the public hearing on the project.

Director of Public Works and Village Engineer, of the Village have made and filed with the village clerk a report containing the plans and specifications of the project, an estimate of the entire cost of the project, and an estimate, as to each parcel affected, of the net amount of benefits. Notice is given that the report on file may be inspected at the office of the village clerk during regular office hours.

Notice is further given that the village board will hold a public hearing concerning the matters contained in the preliminary resolution and the report at 30 South 1st street, Winneconne, Wisconsin on Tuesday, May 20th, 2025, at 5:30 p.m. All persons interested, or their agents or attorneys, may appear and be heard. Interested parties unable to attend the public hearing may submit written, notarized comments to the village clerk at the village of Winneconne, 30 S. 1st Street, PO Box 488, Winneconne, WI 54986, no later than 4:30 p.m. on Tuesday, May 20th, 2025.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

WINNECONNE COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD VACANCY

The Winneconne Community School District Board of Education is seeking to fill a vacant school board position following a resignation. The individual appointed will serve until a successor is elected and qualified at the April 2026 Spring Election.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:

Candidates must:

- Be a qualified elector of the Winneconne Community School District
- Be at least 18 years old
- Reside within the boundaries of the district
- Be eligible to hold public office under Wisconsin law

APPLICATION PROCESS: Interested individuals must submit a letter of interest outlining:

- Their background
- Relevant experience
- Reasons for seeking appointment

DEADLINE TO APPLY: Friday, May 9, 2025, by 4:00 PM

SUBMIT TO:

Dr. Peggy Larson, District Administrator
Winneconne Community School District
PO Box 5000
Winneconne, WI 54986
Or via email: larsonm@w-csd.org

BOARD INTERVIEWS AND APPOINTMENT:

Applicants may be invited to participate in interviews at the Monday, May 19, 2025 regular School Board meeting. The School Board will consider all applicants and appoint one individual to serve until a successor is elected and qualified following the April 2026 election.

This appointment will fill the remainder of the current term pursuant to Wisconsin Statute § 17.26(1) and Winneconne Community School District Board Policy 0142.5 (Board Vacancies).

Posted: April 22, 2025

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Judith A. Washburn

Judith A. Washburn, age 85, of Winneconne sadly passed away on Sunday,



April 27, 2025, surrounded by family, after a 2-year battle with lung cancer. She was born May 12, 1939, in Oshkosh to the late Lyle and Gert (Gilbert) Spoor. On August 13, 1960, Judy married the love of her life, for 58 years, Thomas Washburn. For 22 years she enjoyed volunteering at the Winneconne Area Assistance Center. She also volunteered at the Red Cross and the Winneconne Thrift & Gift.

Judy liked traveling with her beloved husband and watching the sunsets from their lake home in Winneconne. She also enjoyed many years of wintering in Texas with Tom and many friends. They both enjoyed playing cards with their friends and going for long walks in the woods up at the cabin in Pembine. Judy will be remembered for her caring nature and great sense of humor.

Judy is survived by: children, Theresa (Kevin) Neitzke, of Port Aransas, Texas; Linda (Tim) Borree, of New London; Joseph Washburn, of Oshkosh; six grandchildren, Alexander (Nani) Ristow, Zachary Ristow, Kayla Borree, Sgt. Shane Borree, Nicholas Washburn, Alaina Washburn; three great-grandsons, Lakai Ristow, Lexington Ristow, Linkin Ristow; a brother, Lyle Spoor (friend, Irene); nieces, nephews, other relatives, friends; and her cat, Barbara Jean.

Along with her parents, Judy was also preceded in death by her husband, Tom; her father-in-law and mother-in-law, Ernest and Marion (Duester) Washburn; a daughter-in-law, Lisa Washburn; a brother, Neal Spoor; sister-in-law, Mary Ellen Spoor; nephew, Mark Gorski; and sister-in-law and brother-in-law, Nancy and Robert Gorski.

A visitation for family and friends will be on Monday, May 19 from 9:30 to 11 a.m. at Mueller Funeral Home, Winneconne. A funeral service will be held on Monday, May 19 at 11 a.m. at the funeral home with Deacon Paul Vidmar officiating. Interment will follow in the Winne-

conne Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the Winneconne Area Assistance Center Food Pantry or the Winneconne Thrift & Gift.

The family wishes to thank the staffs of Senior Stride and Moments Hospice for the extraordinary care given to Judy and her family.

If you wish, please submit online condolences/memories to muellerfh.net.

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Public Notice

**MINUTES
WINNECONNE VILLAGE BOARD
TUESDAY, MARCH 18, 2025, 5:30 PM
VILLAGE BOARD ROOM,
30 SOUTH FIRST STREET,
WINNECONNE**

Call to Order
Meeting called to order by President Boucher at 5:30 pm.

Roll Call: Foster Kubasta Olson Bouras Janikowski Stelzner Boucher – all present.
Also present were Administrator Fuller and Attorney Chad Wade.
Pledge of Allegiance said in unison.

Regular Business
Motion by Olson second by Bouras to approve consent agenda and payment of bills:
February 28, 2025, Treasurer’s Report/Budget Comparisons
February 2025 Check Register
Motion passes by roll call vote:
Foster-aye, Kubasta-aye, Olson-aye, Bouras-aye, Stelzner-aye, Janikowski-aye, Boucher-aye 7-0-0

Motion by Bouras second by Kubasta to approve February 18, 2025, Village Board
Motion passes by voice vote 7-0-0

Communications
None

Public Participation
Resident at 135 Twin Harbor Drive inquired when/if the Channel Committee was formed and when meetings will be held. President Boucher replied that there have been no meetings to date and will wait until after the Board changes in April. The DNR and County will also need to be involved.

Kati Calewarts, School Board candidate, introduced herself and presented her platform.

Administrator’s Report
Business update
• The 15 acres in the Industrial Park sold. They have three years to break ground or can request an additional year or pay Village a fee year to year.
• Met with Juniper Homes and Prairie Homes to discuss homes starting around \$275,000
• Planning Commission will meet and discuss sale of waterfront land across from the village hall.
• Ace Hardware moving into Family Dollar building. June 1st ribbon cutting.
• Mueller’s Ice Cream and Grill opened on Main St. in the former Jake’s Pizza building.
• Listening sessions to be held with community members on various topics.

Meetings/Key events
• Senator Rachel Cabral-Guevara and Representative Nate Gustafson had another listening session the 4th of March in the board room
• Met with the other municipalities related to EMS.

Operations
• Corporate Network Solutions, Inc. will be providing future IT services.

Finance

- Monitoring the budget to stay within parameters set.
- Continue updating a full wage & compensation study.

Committee Reports
Beautification – 18 honor students helping with highway cleanup, bridge lighting project continues moving forward.
Cemetery – approved fee schedule, Apr. 1st cemetery cleanup
Fire District – March 10 meeting, vehicle maintenance, moving to Premier Bank with accounts, May 12th Fire meeting, open House at 5:30.
Historic Preservation – June 7 or 21 for Pioneer Cemetery celebration, would like local government officials to attend, \$350 short of goal.
Library – Updating policies over the next year, 13.4% increase by County in funding due to high traffic in rural libraries in the county.
Parks – parks open April 1st, work on LWP Barn begins March 27, bids accepted for siding and refinish floors, add new floor where stage was, meeting April 2 to refine and discuss Marble Park master plan further, Beach House to open June 11th for the season.
Personnel & Finance – met, went over financials
Plan Commission – met, conditional use for small taxidermy business, downtown policies, Omro peddler license, issues for Katie’s Coffee.
Public Safety – applied for grant, flashing pedestrian crossing signs, accreditations assessment in process, spring cleanup enforcement.
Public Works – met, water tower work complete, Verizon passive revenue stays restricted for maintenance.

Old Business
None

New Business
Motion by Foster second by Olson to approve a termination resolution number 18032025A for Tax Incremental District number 5
Close in 2025, April 14th due date
Motion passes by roll call vote:
Foster-aye, Kubasta-aye, Olson-aye, Bouras-aye, Stelzner-aye, Janikowski-aye, Boucher-aye, 7-0-0

Motion by Foster second by Kubasta to approve a termination resolution number 18032025B for Tax Incremental District number 6
Close in 2025, April 14th due date
Motion passes by roll call vote:
Foster-aye, Kubasta-aye, Olson-aye, Bouras-aye, Stelzner-aye, Janikowski-aye, Boucher-aye, 7-0-0

Motion by Kubasta second by Bouras to approve the personnel policy handbook with change of Village Manager to Village Administrator
Clarification of fulltime 30 hours to receive health insurance and 37.5 hours for traditional fulltime hours.
Motion passes by roll call vote:
Foster-aye, Kubasta-aye, Olson-aye, Bouras-aye, Stelzner-aye, Janikowski-aye, Boucher-aye, 7-0-0

Motion by Olson second by Janikowski to approve reimbursement of a monthly LinkedIn Subscription of \$45.00 to the Administrator in support of

community engagement, personnel sourcing, networking with other government agencies and leaders
Motion passes by roll call vote:
Foster-aye, Kubasta-aye, Olson-aye, Bouras-aye, Stelzner-aye, Janikowski-aye, Boucher-aye, 7-0-0

Motion by Foster second by Kubasta to approve Operators License for Bryce Clark, Mueller’s Ice Cream and Grill
Motion passes by voice vote 7-0-0

Motion by Janikowski second by Foster to approve Direct Sellers Permit for Tracy Gallagher, Light-up Novelties
Motion passes by voice vote 7-0-0

Confirm next meeting:
Tuesday, April 15, 2025, 5:30 pm, Village Hall Board Room

Adjourn
Motion to adjourn by Kubasta second by Bouras
Meeting adjourned at 6:13 pm
Motion passes by voice vote 7-0-0

Clerk Wasinger
Attest: Village Board Approved
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**MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING
WINNECONNE COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
WINNECONNE HIGH SCHOOL- LARGE GROUP LECTURE
100 WOLF RUN WINNECONNE WI 54986
APRIL 07, 2025 – 6:30PM**

Call the meeting to order and pledge of allegiance
Board President, Donna Hanson called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm

Board Member Roll Call
Board Members Present: Jaci Stelzner, Jill Verich, Meghan Keller, Dean Ackmann, Mark Kunde, Donna Hanson
Absent: Earl Peterson

Administrative Team and Visitor Recognition and Open Forum
District Administrator, Peggy Larson, High School Principal, Leah Michaud, High School, Assistant Elementary Principal, Mike Meunier, Pupil Services Director, Laurin Dodd, Technology Director, David Jerabek, Buildings and Grounds Director, Steve Cady

VISITORS: (See Visitor List on file)

OPEN FORUM- Community Residents spoke in open forum on various points of interest, Board of Education taking courage when making decisions, policy #8120- Volunteering in the School District, opportunities and process for volunteering. April 2nd Autism Awareness, April Autism month, understanding autism, the understand of autism, training for staff, and hold time for individuals to come in to school building and speak on Autism understanding and awareness.

OPEN SESSION

5. consent items:
A. District Checks #10016329 to #10016373 in the Amount of \$940,836.45
B. Student Activity Checks #915609 to # 915626 in the Amount of \$11,021.53
C. District ACH Payments \$212,241.23
D. SA ACH Payments \$822.93
E. Credit Card Report \$32, 986.53
F. Acknowledge \$500 donation to HS Baseball from Blair & Nicole Tritt
G. Acknowledge \$1500 donation to HS Baseball from MCM Air, Inc.
H. Acknowledge Professional Model Trumpet donation to the HS Music from Daniel Pontow Family

Motion made by Kunde, seconded by Hanson to approve Consent Agenda Item A-H
Roll Call: Stelzner-Aye, Verich-Aye, Keller-Aye, Ackmann-Aye, Kunde-Aye, Hanson-Aye
Motion approved: 6-0

6. Approve Minutes from March 17, 2025 Regular School Board Meeting
Motion made by Verich, second by Keller to approve minutes from March 17, 2025 Regular School Board Meeting

Roll Call: Verich-Aye Keller-Aye, Ackmann-Aye, Kunde-Aye, Stelzner-Aye, Hanson-Abstain
Motion approved: 6-0

7. Extended Summer Contracts for Specific Staff
Extended Summer Contracts, hours and cost were presented. There was cost savings of \$1,374.60 from hours that were not needed compared to preceding years.

Motion made by Keller, seconded by Ackmann to approve the Extended Summer Contracts as presented.
Roll Call: Keller-Aye, Ackmann-Aye, Kunde-Aye, Stelzner-Aye, Verich-Aye, Hanson-Aye
Motion approved: 6-0

8. Creation of an HS Dance Team
The Finance Committee presented the request for the creation of a High School Dance Team. Costs to the district would be for the Coach (\$2889), Asst. Coach (\$2179), and an estimate of transportation costs at \$5000.
Understanding Cheer and Dance are two completely different extracurricular’s. The parents are used to dancing participants cost such as uniform and collectively they do multiple fundraising activities.

Motion made by Keller, seconded by Ackmann to approve the creation of a HS Dance Team
Roll Call: Ackmann-Aye, Kunde-Aye, Stelzner-Aye, Verich-Aye, Keller-Aye, Hanson-Aye
Motion approved: 6-0

9. Policies
The Policy Committee met and reviewed all the policies and recommendation is for approval.
Policy # 5411- Third Grade Promotion and Retention: At Risk Students
Policy # 7440.02- Smart Sensor and

Monitoring Technology
Policy # 8120- Volunteers
Policy # 8125- Consultants
Policy # 8531- Free and Reduced-Price Meals
Policy # 8600- Transportation

Motion made by Verich, seconded by Kunde to approve the Policies as presented
Roll Call: Kunde-Aye, Stelzner-Aye, Verich-Aye, Keller-Aye, Ackmann-Aye, Hanson-Aye
Motion approved: 6-0

9. Administration Reports- (See updated reports on file)

10. Board Reports

A. Communications - Thank you letter of appreciation was read on behalf of Heather Kontos (Math & Business Teacher) For the loss of her mother

B. Committee Reports:

1. HR/Financial Planning- Committee met on April 4, 2025
2. PR/marketing- Nothing at this time
3. Policy- Policy Committee had met prior to the Regular Meeting policies will be in April 21st Regular Meeting.

Executive Session
Motion made by Verich, second by Keller to move into Executive Session under 19.85 to approve Executive Session Minuets from March 17, 2025. Pursuant to Wis. 19.85 (1)(c) to discuss employee retention, including confidential data related to employment matters, performance, and strategies for improving retention within the district, and DPI correspondence. The board will move into open session and may take action on items discussed in closed session.

Roll Call Stelzner-Aye, Verich-Aye, Keller-Aye, Ackmann-Aye, Kunde-Aye, Hanson-Aye
Motion approved: 6-0

Open Session
The Board of Education moved back into the open session at 7:35 pm

Motion made by Kunde, second by Hanson to adjourn meeting of the WCSD Board of Education
Motion passed- All Ayes

Mark D. Kunde
WCSD- Board Clerk
7:40 pm

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2024 Consumer Confidence Report Data
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Water System Information
If you would like to know more about the information contained in this report, please contact Paul Melchiori at (920)582-8669.
A copy of the CCR is available to the public by fax, mail, or hand upon request.
Opportunity for input on decisions affecting your water quality
The Public Works Committee meetings are held the second Monday of each month at 12:00pm at the Village Hall.

Health Information
Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency's safe drinking water hotline (800-426-4791).
Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune systems disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by cryptosporidium and other microbial contaminants are available from the Environmental Protection Agency's safe drinking water hotline (800-426-4791).

Source(s) of Water			
Source ID	Source	Depth (in feet)	Status
1	Groundwater	530	Active
2	Groundwater	388	Active

To obtain a summary of the source water assessment please contact, Brandon Kaufman at (920)582-8669.

Educational Information
The sources of drinking water, both tap water and bottled water, include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive material, and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity.
Contaminants that may be present in source water include:
Microbial contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria, may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations and wildlife.
Inorganic contaminants, such as salts and metals, which can be naturally- occurring or result from urban stormwater runoff, industrial or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining or farming.
Pesticides and herbicides, which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, urban stormwater runoff and residential uses.
Organic chemical contaminants, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can also come from gas stations, urban stormwater runoff and septic systems.
Radioactive contaminants, which can be naturally occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities.
In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, EPA prescribes regulations that limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. FDA regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water, which shall provide the same protection for public health.

Definitions
Term
Definition
AL
Action Level: The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.
HA and HAL
HA: Health Advisory. An estimate of acceptable drinking water levels for a chemical substance based on health effects information. HAL: Health Advisory Level is a concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, poses a health risk and may require a system to post a public notice. Health Advisories are determined by US EPA.
HI
HI: Hazard Index: A Hazard Index is used to assess the potential health impacts associated with mixtures of contaminants. Hazard Index guidance for a class of contaminants or mixture of contaminants may be determined by the US EPA or Wisconsin Department of Health Services. If a Health Index is exceeded a system may be required to post a public notice.
Level 1 Assessment
A Level 1 assessment is a study of the water system to identify potential problems and determine, if possible, why total coliform bacteria have been found in our water system.
Level 2 Assessment
A Level 2 assessment is a very detailed study of the water system to identify potential problems and determine, if possible, why an E. coli MCL violation has occurred or why total coliform bacteria have been found in our water system, or both, on multiple occasions.
MCL
Maximum Contaminant Level: The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.
MCLG
Maximum Contaminant Level Goal: The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.
MFL
million fibers per liter
MRDL
Maximum residual disinfectant level: The highest level of a disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants.
MRDLG
Maximum residual disinfectant level goal: The level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants.
mrem/year
millirems per year (a measure of radiation absorbed by the body)
NTU
Nephelometric Turbidity Units
pCi/l
picocuries per liter (a measure of radioactivity)
ppm
parts per million, or milligrams per liter (mg/l)
ppb
parts per billion, or micrograms per liter (ug/l)
ppt
parts per trillion, or nanograms per liter
ppq
parts per quadrillion, or picograms per liter
PHGS
PHGS: Public Health Groundwater Standards are found in NR 140 Groundwater Quality. The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, poses a health risk and may require a system to post a public notice.
RPHGS
RPHGS: Recommended Public Health Groundwater Standards: Groundwater standards proposed by the Wisconsin Department of Health Services. The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, poses a health risk and may require a system to post a public notice.
SMCL
Secondary drinking water standards or Secondary Maximum Contaminant Levels for contaminants that affect taste, odor, or appearance of the drinking water. The SMCLs do not represent health standards.
TCR
Total Coliform Rule
TT
Treatment Technique: A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.

Disinfection Byproducts								
Contaminant (units)	Site	MCL	MCLG	Level Found	Range	Sample Date (if prior to 2024)	Violation	Typical Source of Contaminant
HAA5 (ppb)	D-12	60	60	1	1		No	By-product of drinking water chlorination

Inorganic Contaminants								
Contaminant (units)	Site	MCL	MCLG	Level Found	Range	Sample Date (if prior to 2024)	Violation	Typical Source of Contaminant
ARSENIC (ppb)		10	n/a	0	0 - 0	3/6/2023	No	Erosion of natural deposits; Runoff from orchards; Runoff from glass and electronics production wastes
BARIUM (ppm)		2	2	0.029	0.020 - 0.029	2/6/2023	No	Discharge of drilling wastes; Discharge from metal refineries; Erosion of natural deposits
CHROMIUM (ppb)		100	100	1	1 - 1	3/6/2023	No	Discharge from steel and pulp mills; Erosion of natural deposits
FLUORIDE (ppm)		4	4	0.3	0.0 - 0.3	3/6/2023	No	Erosion of natural deposits; Water additive which promotes strong teeth; Discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories
MERCURY (ppb)		2	2	0.1	0.0 - 0.1	2/6/2023	No	Erosion of natural deposits; Discharge from refineries and factories; Runoff from landfills; Runoff from cropland
NICKEL (ppb)		100		0.5000	0.0000 - 0.5000	2/6/2023	No	Nickel occurs naturally in soils, ground water and surface waters and is often used in electroplating, stainless steel and alloy products.
SODIUM (ppm)		n/a	n/a	134.00	0.14 - 134.00	3/6/2023	No	n/a

Contaminant (units)	Action Level	MCLG	90th Percentile Level Found	Range	# of Results	Sample Date (if prior to 2024)	Violation	Typical Source of Contaminant
COPPER (ppm)	AL=1.3	1.3	0.3990	0.0350 - 0.5650	0 of 10 results were above the action level.	9/8/2023	No	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits; Leaching from wood preservatives
LEAD (ppb)	AL=15	0	0.93	0.11 - 1.00	0 of 10 results were above the action level.	9/11/2023	No	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits

Contaminant (units)	Site	MCL	MCLG	Level Found	Range	Sample Date (if prior to 2024)	Violation	Typical Source of Contaminant
GROSS BETA PARTICLE ACTIVITY (pCi/l)	n/a	n/a	7.2	2.5 - 7.2	3/6/2023	No		Decay of natural and man-made deposits. MCL units are in millirem/year. Calculation for compliance with MCL is not possible unless level found is greater than 50 pCi/l.
GROSS ALPHA, EXCL. R & U (pCi/l)	15	0	11.7	2.8 - 20.0		Yes, Ongoing		Erosion of natural deposits
RADIUM, (226 + 228) (pCi/l)	5	0	2.7	0.7 - 3.1		Yes, Ongoing		Erosion of natural deposits
GROSS ALPHA, INCL. R & U (n/a)	n/a	n/a	12.1	2.1 - 23.8		No		Erosion of natural deposits
COMBINED URANIUM (ug/l)	30	0	3.0	0.7 - 5.6		No		Erosion of natural deposits

Contaminant (units)	Site	MCL	MCLG	Level Found	Range	Sample Date (if prior to 2024)	Violation	Typical Source of Contaminant
TOLUENE (ppm)	1	1	0.0014	0.0014			No	Discharge from petroleum factories

Other Compliance Other Drinking Water Regulations Violations

Description of Violation	Date of Violation	Date Violation Resolved
Failed to develop an initial inventory for service line materials that meets federal requirements	10/17/2024	

Deficiency Description and Progress to Date	Date System Notified	Scheduled Correction Date
The Village has made progress but not fully addressed a deficiency from a prior sanitary survey. As a result, this deficiency remains elevated at significant and failure to complete the required corrective actions will result in a Treatment Technique Violation (TTV).	4/4/2025	12/31/2025

Detected Contaminants
Your water was tested for many contaminants last year. We are allowed to monitor for some contaminants less frequently than once a year. The following tables list only those contaminants which were detected in your water. If a contaminant was detected last year, it will appear in the following tables without a sample date. If the contaminant was not monitored last year, but was detected within the last 5 years, it will appear in the tables below along with the sample date.

Health effects for any contaminants with MCL violations/Action Level Exceedances/SMCL exceedances/PHGS or HAL exceedances
Contaminant
Health Effects
GROSS ALPHA, EXCL. R & U
Certain minerals are radioactive and may emit a form of radiation known as alpha radiation. Some people who drink water containing alpha emitters in excess of the MCL over many years may have an increased risk of getting cancer.
RADIUM, (226 + 228)
Some people who drink water containing radium 226 or 228 in excess of the MCL over many years may have an increased risk of getting cancer.

Additional Health Information
Lead can cause serious health effects in people of all ages, especially pregnant people, infants (both formula-fed and breastfed), and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and parts used in service lines and in home plumbing. Winneconne Waterworks is responsible for providing high quality drinking water and removing lead pipes but cannot control the variety of materials used in the plumbing in your home. Because lead levels may vary over time, lead exposure is possible even when your tap sampling results do not detect lead at one point in time. You can help protect yourself and your family by identifying and removing lead materials within your home plumbing and taking steps to reduce your family's risk. Using a filter, certified by an American National Standards Institute accredited certifier to reduce lead, is effective in reducing lead exposures. Follow the instructions provided with the filter to ensure the filter is used properly. Use only cold water for drinking, cooking, and making baby formula. Boiling water does not remove lead from water. Before using tap water for drinking, cooking, or making baby formula, flush your pipes for several minutes. You can do this by running your tap, taking a shower, doing laundry or a load of dishes. If you have a lead service line or galvanized requiring replacement service line, you may need to flush your pipes for a longer period. If you are concerned about lead in your water and wish to have your water tested, contact Winneconne Waterworks (Brandon Kaufman at (920) 751-4760). Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize expo-

sure is available at <https://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead>.
Additional Information on Service Line Materials
We are required to develop an initial inventory of service lines connected to our distribution system by October 16, 2024 and to make the inventory publicly accessible. You can access the service line inventory here/by: A copy of the service line material inventory is available upon request from the Village Hall.

Corrective Actions Taken
A Preliminary Engineering Report evaluating alternatives to address Gross Alpha was previously completed and submitted to DNR. A pilot study of reverse osmosis (RO) treatment for Gross Alpha removal followed, and the Reverse Osmosis Pilot Study Report has been approved by DNR. McMahon Associates, Inc. is currently under Agreement with the Village for design of proposed improvements to the Well #2 Facility incorporating new RO treatment for both the Well #1 and Well #2 supplies. The RO construction project began at Well #2 in August 2023. Well #2 and RO treatment equipment were placed online with the distribution system on April 9, 2024. Water from Well #1 will be pumped via a transmission main to Well #2 and will be treated at the RO unit.

Actions Taken
The Village of Winneconne failed to develop an initial inventory for service line materials that met federal requirements. The Village completed the inventory and submitted it to the DNR on Feb 17, 2025.
Exposure to lead in drinking water can cause serious health effects in all age groups. Infants and children can have decreases in IQ and attention span. Lead exposure can lead to new learning and behavior problems or exacerbate existing learning and behavior problems. The children of women who are exposed to lead before or during pregnancy can have increased risk of these adverse health effects. Adults can have increased risks of heart disease, high blood pressure, kidney or nervous system problems.
Copper is an essential nutrient, but some people who drink water containing copper in excess of the action level over a relatively short amount of time could experience gastrointestinal distress. Some people who drink water containing copper in excess of the action level over many years could suffer liver or kidney damage. People with Wilsons Disease should consult their personal doctor.
We failed to develop an inventory that meets all federal requirements and/or to make the inventory publicly accessible.

Actions Taken
The Village of Winneconne will be requiring all private wells to be permitted and tested annually or properly abandoned.